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"DAS JAHR 1821: Botanik ist die photoskotochromo?thermokryohydrogeoaërooryktozoophytoanthropobiomorphostoechiogenimetriskopische Phytologie." (From *Flora* 5: 224. 14 Ap 1822.)

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE CLUB

APRIL 14, 1914

The meeting of April 14, 1914, was held at the American Museum of Natural History at 8:15 P.M. President Harper presided. Seventy-nine persons were present.

The announced scientific program consisted of an illustrated lecture on "Edible Fungi," by Dr. W. A. Murrill. This lecture will be published in full in the *Journal* of the New York Botanical Garden.

Adjournment followed.

MICHAEL LEVINE, *Sec. protem*

APRIL 29, 1914

The meeting of April 29, 1914, was held in the Laboratory of the New York Botanical Garden at 3:30 P.M. President Harper presided. Eighteen persons were present.

The minutes of the meeting of April 14 were read and approved.

The committee appointed to draw up resolutions on the death of Dr. C. B. Robinson presented the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, The members of the Torrey Botanical Club have learned with the deepest sorrow of the death of their fellow-member, Dr. Charles Budd Robinson, at the hands of certain barbarous residents of Amboina Island in the Dutch East Indies, be it therefore

*Resolved*, That the Torrey Botanical Club desires hereby to place on record its appreciation of the accurate, scholarly character of the scientific work accomplished by Doctor Robinson, its admiration of his boundless industry and of his frank and loyal personality, and its profound regret that a career of such substantial achievement and abundant promise should have been brought to so untimely an end, and

*Resolved*, That these resolutions be entered upon the minutes of the Club and that a copy be transmitted to his family.

These resolutions were adopted.

A communication from Edward F. Bigelow, President of the Agassiz Association, in which the Torrey Club is invited to make a field excursion to Arcadia, Sound Beach, was read and referred to the chairman of the field committee with power.

The resignation of Miss Helen Palliser was read and accepted.

Mr. Edward Nelson, Agricultural Experiment Station, Gainesville, Florida, was elected to membership.

The first number on the announced scientific program consisted of a brief paper on "Observations on *Sphaerosoma* and allied genera," by Dr. Fred J. Seaver. This paper will be published in full in *Mycologia* for May.

The second paper was given by Dr. N. L. Britton, on "The vegetation of the smaller islands belonging to Porto Rico." Dr. Britton exhibited a number of specimens and photographs of plants collected on the islands of Desechao and Mona. Lists of the plants found on these islands will be compiled for future publication.

Adjournment followed.

B. O. DODGE,  
*Secretary*

MAY 12, 1914

The meeting for May 12, 1914, was held at the American Museum of Natural History with President Harper presiding. Seventy-five persons were present.

The announced scientific program consisted of an illustrated lecture on "Wild flowers of spring," by Dr. N. L. Britton.

Adjournment followed.

B. O. DODGE,  
*Secretary*

MAY 27, 1914

The meeting of May 27, 1914, was held in the Laboratory of the New York Botanical Garden at 3:30 P.M. with Vice-president Barnhart presiding. Ten persons were present.

The minutes of the meetings of April 29 and May 12 were read and approved.

Mr. G. A. Reichling, Brooklyn, N. Y., was elected to membership.

The first number on the scientific program consisted of a paper on "Some midwinter algae of Long Island Sound," by Dr. Marshall A. Howe. The paper will be published in full in June TORREYA.

The second paper was presented by Dr. Michael Levine on "The origin and development of lamellae in *Coprinus micaceus*." Adjournment followed.

B. O. DODGE,  
Secretary

#### NEWS ITEMS

The board of trustees and the director of the Missouri Botanical Garden have issued invitations to the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization of the garden, to be held in St. Louis, October fifteenth and sixteenth. Addresses will be made by the director, Dr. G. T. Moore, and by many visiting botanists. Some of the foreign speakers, who include professors Wille, Lipsky, Briquet, Czapek, Fitting and Klebs, may have difficulty in reaching St. Louis on account of the war, but "it is known that all of those on the program will make every effort to come." The celebration will not be postponed. Besides the speeches the celebration includes inspection of the buildings and grounds, a motor trip through the city, and a dinner by the trustees to invited guests at the Liederkranz Club.

Professor Guy West Wilson, who during the past year has been employed by the Federal Government as an agent of the laboratory of forest pathology in the investigation of the chestnut bark disease in cooperation with Dr. Mel T. Cook of the New Jersey Experiment Station, has been appointed to the newly created chair of mycology and plant pathology in the State University of Iowa at Iowa City, Iowa, with the rank of assistant professor.